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SUBJECT: F-104 REPLACEMENT: MARCH 24-25 MEETINGS IN
BRUSSELS

1. MOD INFORMATION DIRECTOR SLIGTING TELEPHONED DCM
AFTERNOON OF MARCH 25 TO SAY THAT LATEST DUTCH-
BELGIAN GET-TOGETHER HAD NOT RPT NOT RESULTED IN ANY
DECISION. ACCORDING TO SLIGTING, THE BELGIANS MAIN-
TAINED THAT THEY WOULD NEED A FEW MORE WEEKS TO REACH
A FINAL POSITION. APPARENTLY THIS WAS CONNECTED
WITH THE BELGIAN DESIRE TO KEEP THE FRENCH OPTION
OPEN. SLIGTING TOLD DCM NOT TO LOOK FOR ANY DECLI-
SION TO EMERGE FROM THE SCHEDULED APRIL 3 MEETING
OF THE FOUR CONSORTIUM MODS. IN FACT, THE WHOLE
TIMETABLE WOULD SLIP UNTIL THE SECOND HALF OF APRIL,
IF NOT LATER.

2. WHILE SLIGTING WAS SUGGESTING THAT THE BELGIANS WERE
PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FURTHER DELAY, HE
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ACKNOWLEDGED THAT SOME OF THE LABOR PARTY POLITICIANS

WOULD NOT BE UNHAPPY SINCE THEY PREFER TO GET THE LABOR
PARTY CONGRESS (APRIL 10-12) BEHIND THEM BEFORE BITING
THE REPLACEMENT FIGHTER BULLET. WE WILL BE REPORTING
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON MARCH 24-25 MEETINGS FROM
OTHER SOURCES.

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